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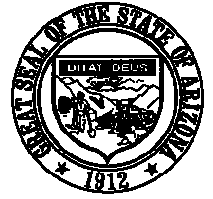
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October 25, 2004

The previously scheduled public meeting of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission for October 22 and 23, 2004, has been cancelled due to the lack of a quorum. The regular business of the Commission will be rescheduled for the December Commission meeting, with the exception of those items listed below, which will be heard by the Commission at a public meeting of the Arizona Game and Fish Commission that will be held on Friday, October 29, 2004, at 12:30 p.m. as authorized by A.R.S. § 17-201(D). Members of the Commission will attend either in person or by telephone conference call. The Commission will discuss and may vote to take action on the following matters:

Friday, October 29, 2004, Arizona Game and Fish Commission at the Arizona State Fairgrounds – Wildlife Building, 1826 W. McDowell Rd., (McDowell & 17th Avenue), Phoenix, Arizona.

Meeting begins at 12:30 p.m.

1. Executive Session

- a. Legal Counsel Regarding the Silverbell Bighorn Sheep Herd.** The Commission may vote to meet in Executive Session in accordance with A.R.S. sections 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4) for the purpose of discussing and consulting with legal counsel in order to consider its position and instruct legal counsel regarding the Commission's position on possible settlement or litigation over the damages associated with the epizootic episode in the Silverbell Bighorn Sheep Herd.

Public Session begins immediately following the Executive Session, but no later than 1:00 p.m.

- 2. Presenters: Lawrence M. Riley, Fisheries Branch Chief and Terry B. Johnson, Nongame Branch Chief. Creating a Two-Year Schedule for Adoption of Commission Orders 25, 40, 41, 42, and 43.** The Commission will be asked to vote to adopt a two-year schedule for consideration and adoption of Commission Orders for Raptors (25), Fish (40), Amphibians (41), Crustaceans and Mollusks (42), and aquatic Reptiles (43).

3. **Presenter: Lawrence M. Riley, Fisheries Branch Chief. Request to Amend Commission Order 40 (Fish), Concerning Specific Proposals for Bag and Possession Limits, Special Regulations, and Specific Closures for Sport Fishing for Calendar Years 2005 and 2006.** The Commission will be asked to vote to adopt Commission Order 40: Fish, establishing open seasons, open areas, and bag and possession limits for calendar years 2005 and 2006.
4. **Presenter: Terry B. Johnson, Nongame Branch Chief. Request to Adopt Commission Order 25: Raptors.** The Commission will be asked to vote to adopt Commission Order 25: Raptors, establishing open areas, season dates, and bag and possession limits for 2005 and 2006, as proposed by the Department.
5. **Presenter: Terry B. Johnson, Nongame Branch Chief. Request to Adopt Commission Order 41: Amphibians.** The Commission will be asked to vote to adopt Commission Order 41: Amphibians, establishing open areas, season dates, and bag and possession limits for 2005 and 2006, as proposed by the Department.
6. **Presenter: Terry B. Johnson, Nongame Branch Chief. Request to Adopt Commission Order 42: Crustaceans and Mollusks.** The Commission will be asked to vote to adopt Commission Order 42: Crustaceans and Mollusks, establishing open areas, season dates, and bag and possession limits for 2005 and 2006, as proposed by the Department.
7. **Presenter: Terry B. Johnson, Nongame Branch Chief. Request to Adopt Commission Order 43: Reptiles.** The Commission will be asked to vote to adopt Commission Order 43: Reptiles, establishing open areas, season dates, and bag and possession limits for 2005 and 2006, as proposed by the Department.
8. **Presenter: Steve K. Ferrell, Deputy Director. Rehearing Request from Mr. Don Martin Regarding His 2004 Hunt Permit-Tag for Hunt Unit 12B West.** Mr. Don Martin has requested that the Game and Fish Commission schedule a rehearing regarding the action taken on September 17, 2004, to deny his request to allow him to relinquish his 2004 hunt permit-tag for hunt unit 12B West and for the Department to reinstate his bonus points. The Commission may vote to affirm or modify its decision, or grant a rehearing.
9. **Presenter: Carlos Ramirez, Rulewriter. Request to Approve Emergency Rule R12-4-125 to Establish Designated Hunting Areas Under A.R.S. § 17-316 in Game Management Units (GMU's) 30A, 30B, 31, and 32.** The Commission will be asked to vote to approve Emergency rule R12-4-125 to establish designated hunting areas under A.R.S. 17-316 in GMU's 30A, 30B, 31, and 32.
10. **Call to the Public.** Those persons wishing to speak should complete a speaker's card and present it to the host. Unless prior approval has been granted by the Chairman, comments will be limited to no more than three minutes. No discussion or action will be taken by the Commission. Any items requiring further discussion or action will be included on a future Commission meeting agenda.

The agenda may be revised and additional items may be added prior to the meeting as authorized by A.R.S. §38-431.02. In that event, an addendum to the agenda will be noticed and posted prior to the meeting at Department offices. Commission agenda items not noticed for a specific time may be taken out of order.

Background materials provided to Commission members concerning public agenda items are available for public inspection at the main office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department at 2222 West Greenway Road, Phoenix, at Department regional offices in Pinetop, Flagstaff, Kingman, Yuma, Tucson, Mesa and at the meetings.

During the public meeting, the Commission may afford any person, his duly authorized representative, or both, the opportunity to present statements relating to agenda items, with or without the opportunity to present them orally.

The Commission may go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Commission Attorneys on any of the above agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A) (3) & (4).

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The Arizona Game and Fish Department is responsible for managing Arizona's fish and wildlife resource as an enduring public trust. In addition, the Department is charged with promoting safe and responsible use of watercraft and off-highway vehicles. Funding is provided from the sale of licenses and permits; watercraft registration fees; federal excise taxes on firearms, fishing equipment, boats, and other sporting goods; State lottery revenues; donations on State income tax forms; and various contracts and grants. Department policy is set by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, whose five members are appointed by the Governor.

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Duane L. Shroufe
Director

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